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The ATSDR is requesting a two-year approval for this information collection. The total annualized burden is 227 hours.

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**ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS**

| Type of respondents   | Form name                             | Number of respondents | Number of responses per respondent | Average burden per response (in hrs) |
|---|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Adults who took part in first Anniston Community Health Survey. | Recruitment Telephone Script .....    | 333                   | 1                                  | 2/60                                 |
|   | Survey for Refusals .....             | 160                   | 1                                  | 1/60                                 |
|   | Update Contact Information Form ..... | 250                   | 1                                  | 1/60                                 |
|   | Medications Form .....                | 250                   | 1                                  | 3/60                                 |
|   | Blood Draw Form .....                 | 250                   | 1                                  | 2/60                                 |
|   | Questionnaire .....                   | 250                   | 1                                  | 45/60                                |

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

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**Agency Forms Undergoing Paperwork Reduction Act Review**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) publishes a list of information collection requests under review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). To request a copy of these requests, call (404) 639-7570 or send an

email to [omb@cdc.gov](mailto:omb@cdc.gov). Send written comments to CDC Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503 or by fax to (202) 395-5806. Written comments should be received within 30 days of this notice.

**Proposed Project**

Anniston Community Health Survey: Follow-up and Dioxin Analyses (ACHS-II)—New—Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

**Disease, Disability, and Injury Prevention and Control Special Emphasis Panel (SEP): Initial Review**

The meeting announced below concerns Developing Research Capacity to Assess Health Effects Associated with Volcanic Emissions and other Environmental Exposures, Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) EH13-002, Initial Review.

In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the aforementioned SEP:

*Time and Date:* 1:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m., June 18, 2013 (Closed).

*Place:* Teleconference.

*Status:* The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with provisions set forth in Section 552b(c)(4) and (6), Title 5 U.S.C., and the Determination of the Director, Management Analysis and Services

Office, CDC, pursuant to Public Law 92-463.

*Matters to be Discussed:* The meeting will include the initial review, discussion, and evaluation of applications received in response to “Developing Research Capacity to Assess Health Effects Associated with Volcanic Emissions and other Environmental Exposures, FOA EH-13-002”.

*Contact Person for More Information:* J. Felix Rogers, Ph.D., M.P.H., Scientific Review Officer, CDC, 4770 Buford Highway, NE., Mailstop F63, Atlanta, Georgia 30341, Telephone: (770) 488-4334.

The Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, has been delegated the authority to sign **FEDERAL REGISTER** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities, for both the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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**Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services**

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**Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is publishing the following summary of proposed collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency’s functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Reinstatement with change of a previously approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Data Collection